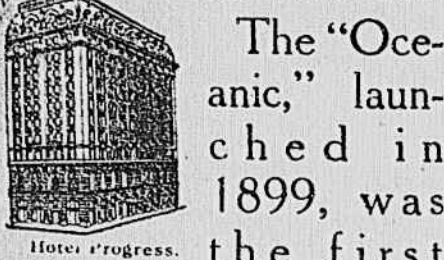


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BAND OF FIVE MEN ROB BANK AT CLOVER

Safe Is Blown Open and Between \$3,000 and \$4,000 Stolen—Fusillade of Shots Fired at Citizens—Yeggmen Escape.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Clover, Va., February 27.—A band of robbers, supposed to number five men, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock this morning, blew open the safe of the Bank of Clover, and escaped with nearly all the cash in the bank. The robbers secured between \$3,000 and \$4,000, \$1,600 of this amount being in gold.

The robbery was completed only after a fusillade of pistol shots had been fired at citizens, who had been aroused by the explosion which awakened nearby towns. The bank building is located on the main street of Clover, next to the post-office, and directly opposite the town hotel.

The robbery was made by breaking through a rear window, and that in the morning the robbers were carefully guarded against by the narrow escape of Dr. R. H. Fuller, who drove from a night call just as the explosion took place. He started for his home, opposite the bank and several shots were fired at him. He was unhurt, but a horse and escaped without injury. J. Fitch and E. B. Daniels, who live with Dr. Fuller, had been aroused, and as they stepped from the door they were met by a fusillade of shots. By this time practically all the men in the bank were awake, and the crowd was gradually closing in on the bank, when the robbers, firing as they went, made good their escape. It is believed that three of the men rode away in a buggy and the other two walked toward the town. About a score of shots were fired by the men, and this morning the bullets were found imbedded in the walls of the hotel.

Notice of the robbery was immediately wired to surrounding towns, and train crews were notified. There is no clue as to the identity of the robbers, but it is felt certain that they will be captured.

The bank's safe was absolutely ruined, but the haste of the robbers is shown by the fact that they left some money in the vaults.

The bank will lose nothing, being insured with the National Surety Company, whose offices were immediately notified.

Clover is a thriving town of about 500 inhabitants, situated in the southeastern section of Halifax county, on the Southern Railway, and is the center of a prosperous agricultural community. The officers of the bank are C. A. Gregory, president; G. B. Daniels, vice-president, and G. B. Gibson, cashier.

The Richmond Police Department was informed early in the morning of the daring robbery, and was asked by the Clover bank officials to communicate with the National Surety Company, which W. E. Morton is the local agent.

Every man on duty was notified from police headquarters to keep a sharp lookout for suspicious characters, and several detectives were also detailed for special work in hunting down the robbers.

The theory is, however, that the men would hardly come to Richmond.

heard by the Senate with great interest.

One of the speakers was Senator Rayner, of Maryland, who advised the adoption of the resolution, despite the Sutherland amendment, which had been voted into law last Saturday. Another was Senator Bacon, of Georgia, who, from having favored the resolution, had become perhaps its stoutest opponent in its allied in the Senate.

Senator Jones, of Washington; Senator Simmons, of North Carolina; and Senator Bourne, of Oregon, also were among the speakers, all being in favor of the resolution.

Still Have Hope.

It had been believed by many that the fate of the resolution was sealed when the Sutherland amendment was adopted. The hostility of the Southern Senators to prevent the necessary two-thirds vote for the resolution, it was thought, had been aroused by the amendment. Today, however, supporters of the resolution still manifested a belief in its success.

Senator Bacon said that the government would under the resolution be empowered to say who might go upon the voters' registration lists. He urged, would be a dangerous power in view of the conditions that existed in many sections of this country.

Mr. Bacon contended that originally the various States had accepted Federal control only on the condition that it was to be exercised in case of the neglect of the States to exercise the power.

Admitting that the South is especially interested in the control of elections now, the Senator contended that the time might come when the question would be just as acute in other sections of the country.

Danger Not Dead.

To show that the possibility of danger from Federal interference is not dead, Mr. Bacon instanced the Federal bill of 1870 and the force exerted by the Federal Government in the case of the South. He argued that there was danger at any time. "If I am not willing to control elections," he said.

Mr. Bacon said, in conclusion, that whatever others might say, he could not consent to manacle his hands by the resolution as it stands. He urged the resolution, asserting that the time was near at hand when the resolution could be adopted unencumbered by the Sutherland provision.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, supported the resolution on the ground that the Congress could not afford to withhold from the State Legislature the right to pass on the question. While he would have preferred the resolution as originally reported, he did not believe that even with the Sutherland amendment incorporated, the proposed amendment would give Congress any power additional to that already possessed under the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution.

COMES TO VOTE TO-DAY

Supporters of Direct Elections Resolution Still Have Hope.

Washington, D. C., February 27.—Several amendments were made in the Senate to-day upon the resolution calling for the election of Senators by direct vote of the people. To-morrow the resolution will be put to a vote, and speeches on the vote of the day will determine its fate.

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HISSES AND HOOTS FOR BANKER ROBIN

Trial of Embezzler Proceeds Despite Plea of Insanity.

New York, February 27.—Joseph G. Robin, former president of the Washington Savings Bank, whose financial operations recently caused the closing of that institution, the Northern Bank and Trust Co., was placed on trial today in the Supreme Court, charged specifically with stealing \$27,000 from the savings institution. Altogether, it is alleged, Robin misappropriated \$207,000 from the Washington Savings Bank. Six jurors were chosen to-day.

When the prisoner was brought into court this morning, the question of his sanity again was brought forward by William Travers Jerome, his counsel, who contended that Robin was not capable of conferring with counsel, and, therefore, should be committed to a lunatic asylum.

Justice Seabury, however, overruled Mr. Jerome, stating that a jury already had found Robin to be sane and that the trial must proceed. The examination of witnesses was then begun.

Robin throughout the day evinced little interest in the proceedings and sat most of the time with his eyes closed. When Robin was taken from the courtroom for the luncheon recess, a large crowd gathered and hoisted him, and this evening at the adjournment of court he was slipped out of a side entrance to avoid a similar hostile demonstration.

The impugning of the jury will continue to-morrow.

COLLINS TEAM TAKES LEAD IN TOURNAMENT

Hunter, of Auburn, Makes Best Individual Score—Synopsis of Day's Results.

Buffalo, N. Y., February 27.—The Collins team, of Buffalo, took the lead in the five-man division of the National Bowling Association's tournament to-night, with a score of 2,558. Collins, of Buffalo, is in the second position and the Wideman and Wolkersdorfer five, from Cleveland, Ohio, is third.

Two-man teams—White and Haley, 1,633.
Individual—Best score, Hunter, of Auburn, 560.

Match game—Miss Blanche Littlefield, New York, 1,140; Mrs. Roy Booth, of Syracuse, N. Y., 937.

MAY APPOINT TO-DAY

Commission Likely to Be Issued to Investigate Senator Swann's Charge.

It is quite probable that a commission will be issued to-day to Senator Claude A. Swanson to succeed himself for the new term beginning next Saturday. The impression is that the Governor will make the appointment.

Senator Swann, the seniority of a Virginia Senator in Washington may be disturbed, as would be the case should his commission follow that of the new Democratic Senators who will take office on March 4.

No doubt is expressed from any source that the junior Senator will be appointed, especially in view of the impending extra session of Congress.

EXPERTS MISTAKEN

Find No Trace of Colored Blood in Child Proven Negro.

Baltimore, Md., February 27.—The irrelevance of expert testimony as to whether negro blood could be detected by means of superficial indications was demonstrated here to-day in the case of Luella Leffridge, aged eleven years, whose mother, Elizabeth Leffridge, brought suit to have the child released from a home for colored children on the ground that she was of white parentage.

A prominent medical expert testified that he had examined Luella, and with

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M'CURDY IN FLIGHT

Rises 1,000 Feet in Air and Crosses Over Lake Worth.

West Palm Beach, Fla., February 27.—Aviator J. A. D. McCurdy made one successful flight here to-day, a previous attempt having been abandoned on account of engine trouble. During his flight, McCurdy reached a height of 1,000 feet and crossed over Lake Worth.

BLEASE SHOWS MERCY

Commutes Five-Year Sentence to Fine of \$2,000.

Columbia, S. C., February 27.—Governor Blease to-day commuted to a fine of \$2,000 the five-year sentence imposed upon John Black, a former member of the board of control of the State dispensary. Black was convicted at Chester last fall on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the State. The allegation was that he had conspired with Joseph B. Wylie, J. M. Rawlinson and H. L. Solomon to purchase whiskey from firms which paid rebates to the dispensary directors. Black was convicted, while Rawlinson and Solomon were acquitted. Pending an appeal, Black has been out on bond. The Governor, in giving Black the alternative of a fine, did not consult the pardon board.

IN DESPERATE PLIGHT

Poor Jewish People Without Food and Clothing in Cholera District.

Washington, D. C., February 27.—The poor Jewish people of Tripoli are in a desperate plight, according to American Consul Wood, who reports to the State Department that there is urgent need for food and clothing for no less than 12,000 Jews, who comprise about one-third of the entire population of the city, crowded together in one quarter which is now infected with cholera. The consul reported the unusual fact that these people on the African coast, suffering from cold, which has thrown many of them out of work, and made others unable to assist their friends by reason of the failure of the crops upon which they depend.

When this information was laid before the National Red Cross to-day, it promptly authorized the State Department to forward \$1,000 to the American consulate at Tripoli for relief purposes.

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